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# Global Commitment Register

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## **Medicaid Access to Care Plan**

### **Policy Summary:**

The Department of Vermont Health Access (DVHA) is posting its final Access to Care Plan. The report defines Vermont Medicaid's standards for access to care to certain categories of providers, such as primary care, hospitals, and various specialty services. DVHA has defined its access to care thresholds and provides actual data on Medicaid recipients' access to care for calendar year 2015. The report has a summary of this data (travel time and distance to services) on a statewide basis as well as a county breakdown. A link to the report is available below.

### **Effective Date:**

The final report was posted to the DVHA website in October 2016 and will be updated every three years.

### **Authority/Legal Basis:**

Medicaid managed care regulations at 42 CFR § 438.  
Medicaid access to care regulations at 42 CFR § 447.203.

### **Population Affected:**

All Medicaid.

### **Fiscal Impact:**

No fiscal impact.

### **Public Comment Period:**

8/31/16 – 9/30/16

No comments were received.

### **Additional information:**

The DVHA Access to Care Plan is available here: <http://dvha.vermont.gov/global-commitment-to-health/1final-access-to-care-plan-oct-2016.pdf>.